

Subdivision II. Emergency and Supplemental.

CHAPTER 13.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION APPROPRIATION BILL.

H. B. No. 926.]

An Act appropriating the sum of Nine Hundred Seventy-seven Thousand, Three Hundred and Thirty-two Dollars (\$977,332) per year, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the next biennium beginning September 1, 1939, and ending August 31, 1941, from the General Revenue Fund for the purpose of promoting public school interests and assisting local districts in the teaching of vocational agriculture, home economics, trades and industries, general rehabilitation, and rehabilitation for crippled children according to the Federal laws governing vocational education, all of which shall be matched by Federal funds; providing for the administration, attaching conditions, regulations, and limitations relative thereto, making various allocations of said appropriation; authorizing aid to such schools in accordance with the conditions specified herein; providing for certain regulations concerning qualification of teachers; providing all costs of administering funds named in this Act shall be paid out of monies appropriated in this Act under the authority of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction under the direction of the State Board of Education; defining the powers of the State Board of Education and the State Superintendent; declaring the rule in event any provision of this Act is unconstitutional or invalid; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of promoting public school interests and matching Federal funds, there is hereby appropriated out of the General Revenue Fund Nine Hundred Seventy-seven Thousand, Three Hundred and Thirty-two Dollars (\$977,332), or so much thereof as may be necessary for the school year ending August 31, 1940, and Nine Hundred Seventy-seven Thousand, Three Hundred and Thirty-two Dollars (\$977,332), or so much thereof as may be necessary for the school year ending August 31, 1941, to be allotted and expended by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction under the direction of the State Board of Education.

SEC. 2. The funds appropriated in this Act shall be expended in accordance with all Federal laws and regulations governing vocational education, providing that in schools where equalization funds are received, vocational agriculture, homemaking, trades and industries, and distributive education shall comply with such regulations as set forth in the Equalization Bill.

SEC. 3. Provided that no salary shall be paid for more than nine (9) months except superintendents of accredited schools entitled to six (6) teachers or more. Provided further that vocational agriculture teachers may be paid for twelve (12) months when the superintendent of the school in which they are employed has certified to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction that such teacher is actually engaged in teaching

this work twelve (12) months; and salaries may be paid to vocational home economics teachers not to exceed ten (10) months in any one (1) year. Provided further that no salary shall be paid to trial teachers in vocational schools in excess of Eighteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,800) per year for the first two (2) years, and that the salary of any other teacher for this work shall not be consummated until same is approved by the State Department of Education.

SEC. 4. As hereby allocated and set aside the following amounts for the following purposes:

Vocational Agriculture: Three Hundred and Eight Thousand Dollars (\$308,000);

Vocational Home Economics: Two Hundred and Forty-two Thousand Dollars (\$242,000);

Trades and Industries: One Hundred Fifty-seven Thousand, Nine Hundred and Fifty-eight Dollars (\$157,958);

Rehabilitation: Ninety-four Thousand, Three Hundred and Seventy-four Dollars (\$94,374);

Rehabilitation for Crippled Children: One Hundred and Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000).

Provided the funds herein appropriated for vocational services may be re-allocated with the consent of each of the directors and with the approval of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

SEC. 5. The fact that many schools in this State are desirous of having the services of vocational agriculture teachers and other teachers mentioned in this Act, and the further fact that if these schools receive such services it is absolutely necessary that this appropriation be passed, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and the same is hereby suspended, and this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

[NOTE.—H. B. No. 926 was passed by the House, April 19, 1939, by a vote of 132 yeas, 0 nays; by the Senate, as amended, May 12, 1939, by a viva voce vote; May 22, House requested appointment of a Conference Committee; June 15, the House adopted the Conference Committee Report by a vote of 106 yeas, 0 nays; June 21, 1939, the Senate adopted the Conference Committee Report by a vote of 31 yeas, 0 nays.]

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